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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application No. 09/414,710
 Filing Date 10/02/2001
 First Named Inventor Faber, et al.
 Group Art Unit 2163
 Examiner Name Susanna Meinecke-Diaz
 Attorney Docket No. 4704.P001

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on 08/26/2002
 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time Amendment Transmittal

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(f) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 2-2666
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e): \$740.00
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17): \$520.00 (\$920-\$400 prev. charged)
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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 Signature _____ Date 09/13/2002

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